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From

J.N. Saksena, Esquire, B.A.,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

To

All Provincial Governments.

Subject:- Shortage of compounders and adequacy of qualifications required of 'qualified persons' under the explanation to rule 65 of the Drugs Rules- Recommendations of the Drugs Consultative Committee.

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Sir,

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2. As regards the question of evolving a uniform procedure for ascertaining the adequacy of qualifications required by the Explanation below rule 65(15) of the Drugs Rules, I am to invite the attention of the Provincial Government to their reply to this Ministry's letter No.F.1-12/48-D dated the 3rd August, 1948 in which they have agreed to the Drugs Technical Advisory Board being consulted in regard to the proposed amendment of rule 65 of the Drugs Rules by which the words 'qualified persons' wherever they occur in the substantive part of that rule would be replaced by the words 'registered pharmacists' and the Explanation at the end of the said rule would be deleted. The proposed amendment, if agreed to by the Drugs Technical Advisory Board (at its next meeting), will set at rest the controversy regarding the meaning of the words 'qualified person' and will secure uniformity in the matter throughout the Provinces of India. Actual amendment of the Rules after its consideration by the Drugs Technical Advisory Board and compilation of first registers under section 30 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948 in all the Provinces will however take considerable time. In the meanwhile, I am to request the Provincial Government that instructions should be issued to the Provincial Licensing authority, in the light of the recommendations made by the Drugs Consultative Committee in the matter, so that persons with not less than four years' experience of dispensing of drugs are recognised as 'qualified persons' for purposes of the Drugs Rules; such persons need not be required to pass tests but the licensing authority should see that only those persons who have actually been engaged in the dispensing of drugs for four years or more are recognised as 'qualified persons.*

Yours faithfully,

Sd- * * *
Under Secretary.

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